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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 986 By Rowland

A RESOLUTION to honor and recognize Kathryn "Katie" Nan Parker, 2002 Valedictorian of Smyrna High School.

WHEREAS, it is fitting that the members of this General Assembly should pause to pay tribute to those students who, through their natural talents and tireless commitment to academic excellence, have distinguished themselves in the classroom; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn "Katie" Nan Parker is one such exceptional student who was recently named Valedictorian of the 2002 graduating class at Smyrna High School; and

WHEREAS, through diligent study, steady composure during examinations, and unwavering commitment of time and talent, Ms. Parker has achieved outstanding academic success and has joined the ranks of the best and brightest students in Tennessee and our Nation; and

WHEREAS, in her remarkable high school career, she has earned an exemplary 4.0 Grade Point Average; and

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WHEREAS, during her four years at Smyrna High School, Kathryn "Katie" Nan Parker has been an active and valuable member of many organizations and programs, including serving as a member of Beta Epsilon, the Beta Club, and Mu Alpha Theta; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Parker's extraordinary work ethic and commitment to learning has earned her numerous awards and honors, including the DAR Award and Spanish I, II, and III Awards; she also has been listed in the National Honor Society and *Who's Who Among American High School Students*; and

WHEREAS, her display of intellectual aptitude and ambition at Smyrna High School surely bodes well for her future success; and

WHEREAS, Kathryn "Katie" Nan Parker's noteworthy achievement is a great source of pride for her father, Joe Parker, her school, and her community; and

WHEREAS, Ms. Parker's dedication to excellence is clearly deserving of the respect, admiration, and commendation of this legislative body; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby commend and honor 2002 Smyrna High School Valedictorian, Kathryn "Katie" Nan Parker, on her impressive academic achievements, and extend to her our best wishes for a happy, successful future.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That an appropriate copy of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.

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